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In re Application of
George Forester
Application No.: 10/057,591
Filing Date: January 25, 2002
For: DISTAL CHORDING KEYBOARD

DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is a decision on the petition filed May 2, 2002 requesting that the above identified application be granted special status under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c) and MPEP § 708.02 IV. There is no fee for this petition.

The petition is GRANTED.

The provisions of MPEP § 708.02 IV state that an "application may be made special upon filing a petition including any evidence that the applicant is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or applicant's statement."

The present petition was accompanied by a declaration from applicant George Forester declaring that he is more than 65 years of age. The declaration constitutes sufficient evidence as set forth in MPEP § 708.02 IV.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action in due course.

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